# Tax Return Information and Local Sales and Use Tax Changes



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### Local sales and use tax rate changes

✓ Effective January 1, 1997, sales and use tax rates will increase 0.1 % in Ferry County. The increase will be used to fund criminal justice programs. The combined rate in location codes 1000 and 1001 will be 7.6% as of January 1, 1997.

Effective January 1, 1997, sales and use tax rates for most locations in Grant County will increase 0.2%. The increase is due to the establishment of a Public Transportation Benefit Area (PTBA) in all areas with the exception of Quincy (location code 1310) and an unincorporated area in the vicinity of Quincy (location code 1300). Unincorporated areas within the PTBA will have 1333 for a location code. The combined rate for location codes 1310 and 1300 will remain at 7.5%. All other locations in Grant County will have a combined rate of 7.7% as of January 1, 1997.

# What if I have no business activity to report?

You must file a Combined Excise Tax Return even if you have no business activity during the reporting period. If you fail to file a return, your account will be considered delinquent. Delinquent accounts receive delinquency notices and are subject to other collection activities until the delinquency is resolved.

If you have no business activity during a reporting period **and** you have no taxes to remit with your Combined Excise Tax Return, such as use tax or litter tax, simply write "No Business Activity" on the front of the return, sign and date it, and mail it in. Or, instead of mailing in a return, you can call our toll-free line, 1-800-647-7706, and file a "no business activity" return by telephone. Please have your UBI/Revenue Registration Number available when you call.

If you have no business activity during a reporting period **but** you have a tax, such as use tax, to report on your return, you must file your return.

# Changes in B&O section of the tax return

Last summer, several changes were made to the business and occupation (B&O) tax section of the return. The changes involved renumbering the lines on which the various classifications of B&O tax are reported. Some taxpayers did not notice the changes and continued to use their old line numbers. As a result, they reported their business activity under the incorrect classification and paid the wrong amount of tax.

Please make sure you report on the line (or lines) that describes the type(s) of business you are engaged in. If you need help determining which classification(s) to report under, please call our toll-free line, 1-800-647-7706, or visit your nearest district office.

### New delinquency dates in 1997

The dates at which the 10 and 20 percent late payment penalties take effect have been changed starting with taxes due in 1997. The due dates for payment of taxes remain the same. If payment is not made by the due date, a penalty of five percent of the tax is imposed. The 10 percent penalty is imposed if payment is not made by the last day of the month following the month in which the due date occurs. The 20 percent penalty is imposed if payment is not made by the last day of the second month following the month in which the due date occurs. Your tax return will state the due date and the dates on which the various penalties go into effect.

The following table illustrates the relationship of due dates and penalties:

	5% after	10% after	20% after
December 1996 Return	1-27-97	2-28-97	3-31-97
Quarter 4 1996 Return	1-31-97	2-28-97	3-31-97
Annual 1996 Return	1-31-97	2-28-97	3-31-97

If payment is not made by dates indicated, penalties apply.

### It's litter tax time!

Remember to report any litter tax you may owe for 1996 on the December 1996, Quarter 4 1996, or Annual 1996 Combined Excise Tax Return (page two, line 66). The annual litter tax assessment is due from retailers, wholesalers, and manufacturers, as well as restaurants, drive-ins, and newspaper and magazine publishers. The tax is assessed on the gross proceeds of sales of products in the following categories:

- Food For Human Or Pet Consumption
- Cigarette And Tobacco Products
- Soft Drinks And Carbonated
   Beverages
- Beer And Other Malt Beverages
- Newspapers And Magazines Nondrug Drugstore Sundry

- Groceries
- Wine
- Toiletries
- Cleaning Agents
- Soft Drinks And Carbonated Plastic Or Fiber Containers
  - Glass And Metal Containers
  - Household Paper And Paper Products
  - Nondrug Drugstore Sundry Products

Administrative rule WAC 458-20-243 discusses each of the previous categories and provides instructions on how to report the litter tax. If you would like to receive a copy of the rule, call 1-800-647-7706 and either leave a message with the automated voice attendant to have the rule mailed, or have the rule faxed to you using our Fast Fax service. The Fast Fax code for the rule is 2243#.

### **Transient lodging information**

**Transient Rental Income** is reported by businesses providing transient lodging for less than 30 days. Examples of transient lodging businesses include hotels, motels, trailer camps, and RV and tent campgrounds. The transient rental tax is not an additional tax, it is distributed to the counties and cities which levy this tax from the state portion of the retail sales tax. The Transient Lodging Information section is located on page 2 of the Combined Excise Tax Return.

The Convention and Trade Center and Special Hotel/Motel taxes are collected *in addition to* the retail sales tax. The Convention and Trade Center and Special Hotel\Motel sections are located on page 2 of the Combined Excise Tax Return.

# Lodging tax rates by location

Convention/Trade Center Tax	4-Digit Code	Rate
King County: (60 or more units) Bellevue Seattle All other King County locations	1704 1726	.058 .07 .028
Special Hotel/Motel Tax		
Chelan County: Chelan Leavenworth Wenatchee	0402 0404 0405	.02 .01 .02
Cowlitz County: All locations		.02
Douglas County: East Wenatchee	0902	.02
Franklin County: Pasco	1104	.02
Grays Harbor County: All locations		.03
Okanogan County: Winthrop, effective 07-01-96	2413	.03
Pierce County: All locations		.02
Skagit County: La Conner, effective 06-06-96	2905	.02
Snohomish County: All locations		.02
Spokane County: (40 or more unit All locations	s)	.02
Yakima County: Yakima, effective 01-01-96	3913	.03

### RTA alert!

The passage of the Regional Transit Authority (RTA) proposal by voters in King, Pierce and Snohomish Counties means that there will be a sales and use tax increase in the RTA coverage area. The increases are expected to go into effect **April 1, 1997**. The Department of Revenue will provide detailed information to taxpayers before the increases go into effect.

### Location and mailing address changes

Please notify us of changes in your mailing address, business location or phone number. Please also let us know if you change your business activities. Prompt notification helps us get the tax return to you on time and determine if you're properly reporting local sales tax. You can notify us of any changes by:

- Calling the automated voice attendant at 1-800-647-7706 24 hours a day, seven days a week;
- Calling the local Department of Revenue office nearest you; or
- Writing your new mailing address or business location on your Combined Excise Tax Return.

### **District offices**

110 W Market St	734 E First St
PO Box 1018	Suite B
ABERDEEN 98520-0290	PO Box 400
(360) 533-9312	PORT ANGELES 98362-0064
(300) 333-7312	(360) 457-2564
1904A Humboldt St	(300) 437-2304
PO Box 1176	919 SW Grady Way Suite 150
BELLINGHAM 98227-1176	PO Box 877
(360) 676-2114	RENTON 98057-0877
(300) 070-2114	1-800-647-7706
4841 Auto Center Way	1-800-047-7700
Suite 201	2101 4th Ave
BREMERTON 98312-4394	Suite 1400
(360) 478-4961	SEATTLE 98121-2300
(300) 478-4901	1-800-647-7706
11627 Airport Rd	1-800-047-7700
PO Box 6	4407 N Division
EVERETT 98206-0006	Suite 300
(206) 356-2911	PO BOX 7248
(200) 330-2911	SPOKANE 99207-0248
700 Colorado St	(509) 482-3800
PO Box 240	(309) 482-3800
KELSO 98626-0021	11707 21st Ave S
LONGVIEW/KELSO OFFICE	Suite B
(360) 577-2015	PO Box 44010
(300) 377-2013	TACOMA 98444-0010
22 W Kennewick Ave	
PO Box 7207	(206) 536-6278
KENNEWICK 99336-0616	8008 NE 4th Plain Blvd
	Suite 320
(509) 585-1501	PO Box 1648
Towart Place Compley	VANCOUVER 98668-1648
Target Place Complex 2735 Harrison Ave NW	
Suite 435	(360) 260-6176
	620 N Ch -1
PO Box 7	630 N Chelan
OLYMPIA 98507-0007	Suite B3
1-800-647-7706	PO Box 220
II 1 CCC	WENATCHEE 98807-0220
Headquarters Office	(509) 663-9714
General Admin Bldg	1714 C 164 A
PO Box 47450	1714 S 16th Ave
OLYMPIA 98504-7450	YAKIMA 98902-5713

All area codes: 1-800-647-7706

(509) 575-2783

1-800-647-7706

### WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

# **Local Sales and Use Tax Rates**

# Effective December 1, 1996

	Location Code No.	Local Sales Tax Rate	State Sales Tax Rate	Total
ADAMS COUNTY Unincorporated Areas		.011	.065	076
HattonLind	0101	.011 .011	.065 .065	.076 .076
Othello Ritzville	0103	.011 .011	.065 .065	.076 .076
Washtucna	0105	.011	.065	.076
Unincorporated Areas. Asotin (City)	0200	.005	.065	.070
Asotin (City) Clarkston	0201	.005 .005	.065 .065	.070 .070
Unincorporated Areas	0300	.012	.065	.077
Unincorporated Areas Unincorporated P.T.B Benton (City) Kennewick	A.* 0333 0301	.015 .012	.065 .065	.080 .077
Prosser		.015	.065 .065	.080 .077
Richland West Richland CHELAN COUNTY	0304	.015	.065 .065	.080
CHELAN COUNTY Unincorporated Areas	0400	.015	.065	.080
Cashmere	0401	.015 .015	.065 .065	.080
Cashmere Chelan (City) Entiat	0402	.015	.065	.080
Leavenworth	0404	.015 .015	.065 .065	$080 \\ .080$
Unincorporated Areas	0500	.014	.065	.079
ForksPort Angeles	0501	.014 .014	.065 .065	.079 .079
ForksPort AngelesSequimCLARK COUNTY	0503	.014	.065	.079
Unincorporated Areas Battle Ground	0600	.011 .011	.065 .065	.076 .076
CamasLa Center	0602	.011 .013	.065 .065	.076 .078
Ridgefield	0604	.013 .011	.065 .065	.078 .076
Vancouver Washougal	0606	.011	.065	.076
Yacolt	0007	.011	.065	.076
Dayton	0700	.010 .010	.065 .065	.075 .075
Unincorporated Areas Dayton Starbuck. COWLITZ COUNTY Unincorporated Areas	0702	.010	.065	.075
Unincorporated Areas Castle Rock	0800 0801	.005 .010	.065 .065	.070 .075
Kalama	0802	.010 .011	.065 .065	.075 .075 .076
Longview	0804	.011	.065 .065	.076 .075
		.010	.065	.075
Unincorporated Areas Unincorporated P.T.B Bridgeport East Wenatchee	A.* 0909	.014 .010	.065 .065	.079 .075
East Wenatchee	0901	.014	.065	.079
Mansfield Rock Island	0904	.010 .014	.065 .065	.075 .079
Waterville FERRY COUNTY	0905	.014	.065	.079
† Unincorporated Areas † Republic	1000 1001	$.011 \\ .011$	.065 .065	.076 .076
Unincorporated Areas	1100	.012	.065	.077
Unincorporated P.T.B Connell	A.*1111 1101	.015 .012	.065 .065	$.080 \\ .077$
Kahlotus Mesa	1102	.012 .012 .012	.065 .065	.077 .077 .077
PascoGARFIELD COUNTY	1104	.015	.065	.080
Unincorporated Areas.	1200	.010 .010	.065 .065	.075 .075
Pomeroy	1200			.075
Unincorporated Areas. †† Unincorporated P.T.B. †† Coulee City	A* .1333	.010 $.012$ $.012$	.065 .065	.077 .077
†† Electric City †† Ephrata	1301	012	.065 .065	.077
†† Ephrata	1303	.012 .012	.065 .065	.077 .077
†† Grand Coulee †† Hartline		.012 .012	.065 .065	.077 .077
†† Krupp	1307	.012	.065	.077
†† Mattawa †† Moses Lake		.012 .012	.065 .065	.077 .077
Quincy	1310	.010	.065	.075
†† Royal City †† Soap Lake	1311	.012 .012	.065 .065	.077 .077
†† Warden †† Wilson Creek	1313	.012	.065	.077
†† Wilson Creek	1315	.012	.065	.077

	Local Sales		
Code No. GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY	Tax Rate	Tax Rate	Total
Unincorporated Areas1400	.014	.065	.079
Aberdeen	.014 .014	.065 .065	.079 .079
Cosmopolis	.014	.065 .065	.079
Hoquiam	.014 .014	.065 .065	.079 .079
Montesano	.014 .014	.065 .065	.079
Ocean Shores1409	.014	.065	.079 .079
Westport	.014	.065	.079
Unincorporated Areas1500	.014	.065	.079
Unincorporated Areas	.014 .014	.065 .065	.079 .079
Oak Harbor 1503 JEFFERSON COUNTY	.014	.065	.079
JEFFERSON COUNTY Unincorporated Areas 1600	.014	.065	.079
Unincorporated Areas1600 Port Townsend1601	.014	.065	.079
	.017	.065	.082
Unincorporated Areas 1700 Algona 1701 Auburn 1702 Beaux Arts Village 1703 Bellevue 1704 Black Diamond 1705 Bothell/King 1706	.017	.065	.082
Auburn	.017 .017	.065 .065	.082 .082
Bellevue 1704	.017	.065	.082
	.017 .017	.065 .065	.082 .082
Burien	.017 .017	.065 .065	.082
Carnation	.017	.065 .065	$.08\overline{2} \\ .082$
Des Moines	.017	.065	.082
Duvall	.017 .017	.065 .065	.082 .082
Federal Way 1732 Hunts Point 1713	.017	.065	.082
Hunts Point	.017	.065	.082 .082
Issaquah	.017 .017	.065 .065	.082
Kirkland	.017 .017	.065 .065	.082 .082
Medina 1718	.017	.065 .065	082
Mercer Island	.017 .017	.065 .065	.082 .082
Newcastle	.017	.065	.082
North Bend	.017 .017	.065 .065	.082 .082
Redmond	.017	.065	.082
Renton	.017 .017	.065 065	.082 .082
Seattle1726	.017	.065 .065	.082
	.017 .017	.065 .065	.082 .082
Snoqualmie	.017 .017	.065 .065	.082 .082
Shoteline         1737           Skykomish         1727           Snoqualmie         1728           Tukwila         1729           Woodinyille         1735           Woodinyille         1735	.017	.065 .065	.082 .082
Yarrow Point	.ŏ17	.065	.082
Unincorporated Areas1800	.011	.065	.076
Unincorporated Areas1800 Unincorporated P.T.B.A.*1818 Bainbridge Island1804	.016	.065	.081
Bainbridge Island1804 Bremerton1801	.016 .016	.065 .065	$.081 \\ .081$
Port Orchard1802	.016	.065 .065	.081
Poulsbo	.016	.065	.081
Unincorporated Areas1900 Cle Elum1901	.012 .012	.065	.077
Ellensburg1902	.012	.065 .065	.077 .077
Kiffifas (City)	.012	.065	077
Roslyn       1904         South Cle Elum       1905         KLICKITAT COUNTY       2000	.012 .012	.065 .065	.077 .077
Unincorporated Areas2000	.005	065	
Bingen2001	.005	.065 .065	.070 .070
Bingen	.005	.065 .065	.070
White Salmon	.005	.065	.070
Unincorporated Areas2100 Centralia2101	.011	.065 .065	.076 .077
Chehalis2101	.012 .012	.065	.077 .077
Morton2103	.011	.065	.076
Mossyrock2104	.011	.065	.076
Napavine2105 Pe Ell2106	.011 .011	.065 .065	.076 .076
Toledo2107	.011	.065	.076
Vader2108	.011	.065	.076
Winlock2109	.011	.065	.076

<sup>†</sup> Effective January 1, 1997, voters approved juvenile detention tax.
†† Effective January 1, 1997 (see page 1).
\* P.T.B.A., Public Transportation Benefit Area
Unincorporated Areas are locations outside incorporated city limits

	Location Code No.	Local Sales State Sales Tax Rate Tax Rate Total		
LINCOLN COUNTY	2200	.011	.065	.076
Unincorporated Areas Almira	2200	.011	.065	.076
Creston	2202	.011 .011	.065 .065	.076 .076
Davenport	2203	.011	.065	.076
Odessa Reardan	2205	.011 .011	.065 .065	.076 .076
Cpromio	2207	.011	.065	.076
Wilbur  MASON COUNTY Unincorporated Areas Shelton OKANOGAN COUNTY	2208	.011	.065	.076
Unincorporated Areas	2300	.014	.065	.079
Shelton	2301	.014	.065	.079
Unincorporated Areas	2400	.011	.065	.076
Brewster	2401	.011 .011	.065 .065	.076 .076
Coulee Dam	2403	.011	.065	.076
Elmer City Nesnelem	2404 2405	.011 .011	.065 .065	.076 .076
Brewster Areas Brewster Conconully Coulee Dam Elmer City Nespelem Okanogan (City) Omak Oroville	2406	.011	.065	.076
Oroville	2407	.011 .011	.065 .065	.076 .076
		.011	.065	.076
Riverside Tonasket	2410	.011 .011	.065 .065	.076 .076
Twisp	2412	.011	.065	.076
Tonasket Twisp Winthrop PACIFIC COUNTY Unincorporated Areas Ilwaco Long Beach	2413	.011	.065	.076
Unincorporated Areas	2500	.013	.065	.078
Long Beach	2501	.013 .013	.065 .065	.078 .078
Raymond	2503	.013	.065	.078
Long Beach Raymond South Bend PEND ORIELLE COUNT	2304 Γ <b>Υ</b>	.013	.065	.078
Unincorporated Areas	2600	.010	.065	.075 .075
CusickIone	2.602	.010 .010	.065 .065	.075
Metaline	2603	.010 .010	.065	.075 .075
Newport	2604	.010	.065 .065	.075
Netamer Fails. Newport  PIERCE COUNTY  Unincorporated Areas. Unincorporated P.T.B. Bonney Lake Buckley Carbonado.	2700	.012	.065	.077
Unincorporated P.T.B.	A.* 2727	.015	.065	.080
Bonney Lake	2701	.015 .015	.065 .065	.080 .080
Carbonado	2703	.012	.065	.077
DuPont	2704	.015 .012	.065 .065	.080 .077
Edgewood	2720	.015	.065	.080
Duront	2706 2707	.015	.065 .065	.080 .080
Gig Harbor	2708	.015	.065	.080
Lakewood Milton	2721	.015 .015	.065 .065	.080 .080
Orting	2710	.015	.065	.080
Orting	2723	.015 .015 .012	.065 .065	.080 .080
Roy	2712	.012 .015	.065 .065	.077
South Prairie	2713	.012	.065	.080 .077
Steilacoom Sumner		.015 .015	.065 .065	.080 .080
TacomaUniversity Place	2717	.015	.065	.080
University Place	2719	.015 .012	.065 .065	.080 .077
Wilkeson SAN JUAN COUNTY Unincorporated Areas	2000			
Unincorporated Areas Friday Harbor	2800 2801	.012 .012	.065 .065	.077 .077
Unincorporated Areas Friday HarborSKAGIT COUNTY	2000			
Unincorporated Areas Unincorporated P.T.B Anacortes	2900 A.* 2929	.011 .013	.065 .065	.076 .078
Anacortes	2901	.013	.065	.078 .078
Burlington	2902	.013 .013 .013	.065 .065	.078
Hamilton La Conner	2904	.013 .013	.065 .065	.078 .078
LymanMount Vernon	2906	.013 .013	.065	.078
Mount Vernon Sedro Woolley	2907 2908	.013 .013	.065 .065	.078 .078
Sedro WoolleySKAMANIA COUNTY	2000			
Unincorporated Areas North Bonneville	3000	.005 .010	.065 .065	.070 .075
Stevenson	3002	.005	.065	.070
Unincorporated Areas	3100	.011	.065	.076
Unincorporated P.T.B.	A.* 3131	.017	.065	.082 .082
Bothell/Snohomish	3120	.017 .017	.065 .065	082
Brier	3102	.017 .017	.065 .065	.082
Unincorporated Areas. Unincorporated Areas. Unincorporated P.T.B. Arlington Bothell/Snohomish Brier Darrington Edmonds Everett	3103	.017	.065	.082
		.014 .017	.065 .065	.079 .082
Gold Bar Granite Falls	3107	.017	.065	.082

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Lake Stevens	.017 .017	.065 .065	.082 .082
Marysville	.017 .017	.065 .065	.082 .082
Monroe	.017	.065	.082
Mountlake Terrace3113	.017	.065	.082 .082
Snohomish (City)3115	.017 .017	.065 .065	.082
Mukilteo	.017 .017	.065 .065	.082 .082
Woodway	:017	.065	.082
SPOKANE COUNTY Unincorporated Areas 3200	.013	.065	.078
SPOKANE COOLT         Unincorporated Areas	.016	.065	.081
Airway Heights3201	.016 .016	.065 .065	.081 .081
Deer Park3203	.013	.065	.078
Fairfield3204	.013 .008	.065 .065	.078 .073
Medical Lake3206	.016	.065	.081
Pockford 3208	.016 .013	.065 .065	.081 .078
Spangle3209	.013	.065 .065	.078
Spokane (City)3210	.016 .008	.065 .065	.081
Spangle		.003	
Unincorporated Areas	.010 .010	.065 .065	.075 .075
Colville3302	.010	.065	.075
	.010 .010	.065	.075
Northport3305	.010	.065 .065	.075 .075
Springdale3306	.010	.065	.075
Nettle Fails	.015	.065	.080
Bucoda	.015 .015	.065 .065	.080 .080
Bucoda       3401         Lacey       3402         Olympia       3403         Rainier       3404         Tenino       3405	.015	.065	.080
Rainier	.015 .015	.065 .065	.080 .080
Tumwater3406	.015	.065	.080
Yelm3407 WAHKIAKUM COUNTY	.015	.065	.080
Unincorporated Areas3500	.010	.065	.075
Tumwater	.010	.065	.075
Unincorporated Areas	.011	.065	.076
College Place	.014 .014	.065 .065	.079 .079
Prescott3602	.011	.065	.076
Walla Walla (City)3604	.011 .014	.065 .065	.076 .079
WHATCOM COUNTY	010		075
Unincorporated Areas       3700         Unincorporated P.T.B.A.*       3737         Bellingham       3701         Blaine       3702	.010 .013	.065 .065	.075 .078
Bellingham3701	.013 .013 .013	.065 .065	.078 .078
	.013	.065	.078
Ferndale3704	.013 .013	.065 .065	.078 .078
Nooksack3705	.013	.065	.078
Street	.013	.065	.078
	.010	.065	.075
Albion	.010 .010	.065 .065	.075 075
Colton 3803	.010	.065	.075 .075 .075
Endicott	.010 .010	.065 .065	.075 .075
Gartield 3806	.010	.065	075
La Crosse	.010 .010	.065 .065	.075 .075 .075
Malden 3809	.010	.065	.075
Oakesdale         3810           Palouse         3811	.010 .010	.065 .065	.075
Palouse	.010	.065 .065	.075
Rosalia	.010 .010	.065 .065	.075
Tekoa	.010	.065 .065	.075 .075 .075
Tekoa	.010	.003	.075
Unincorporated Areas3900	.011	.065	.076
Grandview	.011 .011	.065 .065	.076 .076
Harrah 3903	.011	.065	.076
Mabton	.011 .011	.065 .065	.076 .076
Moxee City 3905 Naches 3906 Selah 3907	.011 .011	.065 .065 .065	.076 .076
Sunnvside3908	.011	.065	.076 .076
Tieton3909	.011 .011	.065 .065	.076 .076
Union Gap3911	.011	.065	.076
Union Gap	.011 .014	.065 065	.076 079
Žillah3914	.011	.065 .065	.079 .076

<sup>\*</sup> P.T.B.A., Public Transportation Benefit Area Unincorporated Areas are locations outside incorporated city limits.

	Location	Local Sales	State Sales	
	Code No.	Tax Rate	Tax Rate	Total
SNOHOMISH COUNTY	(Cont'd)			
Index	3108	.017	.065	.082